

# PROCESS SPECIFICATION

PROCESS SPECIFICATION NUMBER: ERA-1003
412 Auxiliary Fuel Tanks
FABRICATION OF THE BAFFLES

PREPARED BY:

DATE: 1/24/87

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## APPROVALS

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Scope:

This specification outlines the requirements

for fabricating the baffles for the 412

Auxiliary Fuel Tanks.

Conformation:

This specification does not conform to any

existing government specification.

Subcontractors:

MESH PLASTICS, LTD. of Lake Charles, Louisiana,

or its subcontractor shall be the only subcontractors qualified to construct the FRP requirements and shall comply with this process specification. Any deviations or variations are to be submitted to ERA for approval with proper documentation prior to

fabrication.

Conflicts:

In the event of a conflict with engineering

drawing(s) and this specification, the

drawing(s) shall govern.

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## MATERIALS

<u>MATERIAL</u>	NAME	MANUFACTURER
Resin	Derakane 470-36	Dow Chemical Midland, MI
Promoter	Cobalt Napthenate	AKZO Chemie New Brunswick, NJ
Accelerator	Dimethylaniline	Buffalo Colors West Paterson, NJ
MEKP Catalyst	Hi Point 90	Witco Chemical Richmond, CA
	Lupersol DHD 9	Lucidol Chemical Buffalo, NY
Mold Release	PVA	Rexco Carpenteria, CA
	Cerea Mold Release Wax	Ceara Products,Inc. Denver, CO
UV Inhibitor	UV-9	Industrial Chemicals Atlanta, GA

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MATERIAL NAME MANUFACTURER Putty filler Aerosil Dequssa Corp. (Amorphous Fumed Silica) Teterboro, NJ Cabosil Cabot Corp. Boston, MA Milled Fibers 731 ED Owens-Corning Anderson, S.C. 3/4 oz Type 'E' glass mat M113 - 3/4 oz. Certainteed Wichita Falls, TX 8.9 oz. Type "ECDE" glass 7781 Burlington Fibers Altavista, VA 10 mil 'C' glass, or Modiglass Reichold Chemical Bremen, OH Manville Glass Manyille Corp. Denver, CO 10 mil 'A' glass veil Surglass Superior Glass Bremen, OH

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MANUFACTURER

Paraffinated Styrene

TF-100

Industrial Chemicals

Atlanta, GA

Grinding Discs

36 Grit Type D

3M Corp.

60 Grit Type C 80 Grit Type C

St. Paul, MN

Mold surface

Black Tooling Gel Glidden

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#### FABRICATION

- 1) Inspect both molds for defects (ie. chips, cracks, crazing, etc. ...).

  DO Not proceed until any defect is corrected.
- 2) Apply mold release agent(s) according to manufacturer's instructions to both molds.

NOTE: The following sequence applies to both molds.

- 3) Apply one layer of 10 mil veil to the mold surface. Saturate with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor (NO pigment). Deaerate with serrated rollers.
- 4) Apply one layer of 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on mold surfaces. Saturate with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor (ND pigment). Deaerate with serrated rollers.
- 5) Apply a second layer of 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on mold surfaces. Saturate with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor (NO pigment). Deaerate with serrated rollers.
- 6) Apply one layer of "ECDE" glass on mold surfaces. Saturate with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor (NO pigment). Deaerate with serrated rollers.
- 7) Apply one layer of 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on mold surfaces. Saturate with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor (NO pigment). Deaerate with serrated rollers.
- 8) Continue alternating layers of "ECDE" glass and 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on the recessed area of the mold only, until this area is approximately 1/4" thick.
- 9) Allow laminate to exotherm and cool down. Trim excess laminate that protrudes out from the mold.
- 10) Apply one layer of 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on mold surfaces. Saturate with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor (NO pigment). Deaerate with serrated rollers.
- 11) Continue alternating layers of "ECDE" glass and 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on the recessed area of the mold only, three more times.

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- 12) Place steel guides in lug area over the wet mat. Bolt in place making sure that pins are in alignment holes.
- 13) Continue alternating layers of "ECDE" glass and 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on the recessed area of the mold only, four times.
- 14) Allow laminate to exotherm and cool down. Trim excess laminate that protrudes out from the mold.
- 15) Apply one layer of 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on mold surfaces. Saturate with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor (NO pigment).

  Deaerate with serrated rollers.
- 16) Continue alternating layers of "ECDE" glass and 3/4 oz. chopped strand mat on the recessed area of the mold only, three more times, with the last layer of 3/4 oz. mat covering the entire baffle surface.
- 17) Clamp both mold together before the resin gels. Allow to cure for a minimum of 4 hours.
- 18) Remove bafflé from the molds. Check baffle thicknesses at 12 locations. Throw out the high and low and record the average thickness. This average to be not less than 0.220".
- 19) Cut holes and trim to final dimensions.
- 20) Seal all cut edges with Derakane 470-36 resin containing UV inhibitor and parrifinated styrene (no pigment). Allow to cure 4 hours.

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#### INSPECTION

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It is the purpose of the inspection to verify that each part has been fabricated in accordance with and meets the requirements of this specification.

RESPONSIBILITIES: It is the responsibility of the fabricator to make available to ERA Helicopter or his authorized representative any or all of the following:

Records: Records pertaining to the part(s) being purchased shall be supplied when requested. These may include:

Materials specifications
Equipment drawings or mold jig
Materials test results.
Dimensional verification reports.
Rework and repair reports.

## MATERIALS:

Raw materials used for laminates shall be virgin materials and shall be free of contaminants as described on pgs. 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16.

FABRICATED PARTS: The part to be inspected shall be properly located and positioned, and shall be in condition to permit safe and thorough inspection. Reasonable means shall be provided to permit the inspector to visually examine the entire inner and outer surfaces of the part.

Allowable defects are listed on pgs. 9 and 10.

The following inspection tools and equipment shall be made available for use by the inspector.

Barcol hardness tester.
Acetone squeeze bottle with acetone.
Extension cord with ground fault switch.
A vapor tight inspection light.
Thickness gauge.

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#### INSPECTION

TEST OF FINISHED PARTS:

The following basic tests shall be included as a minimum in the Acceptance Inspection.

Barcol Hardness Test - A test of resin cure shall be made in accordance with ASTM D2583. Take 10 readings, discard highest and lowest, average the remaining readings. Minimum acceptable average reading is 30.

Surface Cure Test - An acetone test shall be used to detect surface inhibition on surfaces exposed to air during cure. The procedure that shall be used is the following: rub a few drops of acetone on the surface and check for tackiness after the acetone has evaporated. Persistent tackiness indicates incomplete cure.

Dimensions - The inspector shall be provided with copies of all approved drawings or mold jigs.

#### OTHER APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:

ASTM Standards

- C 581-74-Test Method for Chemical Resistance of Thermosetting Resins Used in Glass Fiber Reinforced Structures.
- D 638-77a-Test method for Tensile Properties of Plastics.
- D 790-71-Test Methods for Flexural Properties of Plastics and Electrical Insulating Materials.
- D 883-78a-Definitions of Terms Relating to Plastics.
- D 2583-75-Test Method for Identation Hardness of Rigid Plastics by Means of a Barcol Impressor.

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## ALLOWABLE DEFECTS

	Surface inspected
Defect Cracks(through part)	None
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Crazing (fine surface cracks)	Max dimension 1/2 in., max density 5 per sq. ft. min 2 in apart
Blisters(rounded	- · · · - [ · · · · ·
elevations of the	Max 1/4 in., dia x 1/8 in.
laminate surface over bubbles)	high, max 1 per sq ft, min 2 in apart
Wrinkles and solid blisters	Max deviation, 20% of wall thickness but not exceeding 1/8 in.
Pits(craters in the laminate surface)	Max dimensions, $1/8$ in dia $\times$ $1/16$ in deep, max density 10 per sq. ft.
Surface porosity(pin- holes or pores in the laminate)	Max dimensions, 1/16 in dia x 1/16 in deep, max density 10 per sq. ft.
Chips	Max dimension of break, 1/4 in, and thickness no greater than 20 percent of wall thickness, max density I per sq ft
Dry spot(nonwetted reinforcing)	Max dimension, 2 sq in. per sq ft
Entrapped air (bubbles or voids in the laminate)	1/8 in. max dia, 4 per sq in. max density; 1/16 in. max dia. 10 per sq in. max density

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ALLOWABLE DEFECTS

Surface inspected Defect

Exposed Glass

None

Burned Areas None

Exposure of cut edges None

Scratches Max length 1 in. max depth

0.010 in.

Foreign Matter 1/16 in.dia, max density 1

per sq ft

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#### FIBERGLASS SURFACING MAT

#### 1.0 Scope

The scope of these procedures is to describe the visual, physical and mechanical parameters which characterize fiberglass surfacing mat used by the fabricator.

#### 2.0 Definitions

- 2.1 Fiberglass Surfacing Mat A random arrangement of glass fibers bonded with a binder to form a thin porous mat which is supplied in roll form. Surfacing mat is usually used to reinforce the corrosion resistant resin rich liner on the inside of equipment and to provide a smooth surface on the exterior of equipment.
- 2.2 Binder Chemical treatment applied to the jackstraw arrangement of glass fibers to give the mat integrity. Specific binders are utilized to promote chemical compatibility with the various laminating resins used.
- 2.3 Slugs Unfiberized beads of glass.
- 3.0 Requirements
- 3.1 Visual Requirements Each roll of fiberglass surfacing mat shall be inspected to insure it is consistent in color, texture and appearance. Any holes, cuts or visual irregularities shall be removed from the mat prior to or during fabrication.
- 3.1.1 Slugs Mat which contains more than four slugs per 100 lineal feet is rejectable.
- 3.1.2 Wrinkles Crosswise wrinkles or waves that are visible at a 45 deg. angle and lengthwise wrinkles that can be readily flattened under pressure and that do not crease or change the dimensions of the mat are acceptable.
- 3.1.3 Wet Spots and Bar Marks The mat shall be free from these defects.
- 3.1.4 Delamination The mat shall not delaminate, i.e. shall not separate into layers in coming off the roll.

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#### FIBERGLASS SURFACING MAT

- 3.2 Physical Properties
- 3.2.1 Thickness The thickness of the mat in each roll shall be measured.
- 3.3 Packaging Requirement Packaging shall be visually inspected to assure proper labeling and that the package is free from damage that may render the mat unusable.
- 3.3.1 The mat shall be packaged in an unbroken carton as shipped from the mat manufacturer's factory. The mat used shall not be repackaged in the distribution of the mat after the manufacturer has shipped the mat.
- 3.4 Documentation It is the responsibility of the fabricator to maintain records showing the results of all material testing. This information shall show at a minimum, the following:
- (a) Form of material
- (b) Manufacturer
- (c) Manufacturer's product description including binder type (treatment)
- (d) Manufacturer's product code
- (e) Production date, if available, or production code on carton.
- (f) Property measured and value recorded
  - \* Visual inspection
  - \* Width
  - \* Thickness
  - \* Packaging
- (g) Job number (Internal Fabricator Control Number)
- (h) Fabricated part identification number

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## FIBERGLASS CHOPPED STRAND MAT

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### 1.0 Scope

- $1.1\,$  The scope of these procedures is to describe the visual, physical and mechanical parameters which characterize fiberglass chopped strand mat used by the fabricator.
- 2.0 Definitions
- 2.1 Chopped Strand Mat Chopped strand mat is made from randomly oriented glass strands which are held together in mat form using a binder. Each strand contains a sizing.
- 3.0 Requirements
- 3.1 Visual Requirements Each roll of chopped strand mat shall be inspected to insure it is consistent in color, texture and appearance. It shall be free from surface irregularities, fluffy masses, dirt spots or other foreign material; water spots, knots, binder spots larger than 2" in diameter, clumps of strands and tears of holes which may result form removal of defects.
- 3.2 Physical Requirements
- 3.2.1 Weight The square foot weight of the mat shall be measured for each carton of mat used. All specimens shall fall within the range specified for the product.
- 3.3 Packaging Requirement Packaging shall be visually inspected to assure proper labeling and that the package is free from damage that may render the mat unusable.
- 3.3.1 The mat shall be packaged in an unbroken carton as shipped from the mat manufacturer's factory. The mat used shall not be repackaged in the distribution of the mat after the manufacturer has shipped the mat.

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#### FIBERGLASS CHOPPED STRAND MAT

- 3.4 Documentation It is the responsibility of the fabricator to maintain records showing the results of all material testing. This information shall show at a minimum, the following:
- (a) Form of material
- (b) Manufacturer
- Manufacturer's product description including binder type (c) (treatment)
- Manufacturer's product code (d)
- Production date, if available, or production code on carton. (⊜)
- Property measured and value recorded (f)
  - \* Visual inspection
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  - \* Packaging
- Job number (Internal Fabricator Control Number) (g)
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#### FIBERGLASS ECDE GLASS

#### 1.0 Scope

- 1.1 The scope of these procedures is to describe the visual, physical and mechanical parameters which characterize ECDE glass used by the fabricator.
- 2.0 Definitions
- 2.1 Fiberglass ECDE glass Glass fiber rovings woven into a heavy weight fabric.
- 2.2 Wrap Ends The rovings which run in the longitudinal direction of the fabric, i.e., along the roll length of the fabric.
- 2.3 Fill Picks The rovings which run in the transverse direction of the fabric, i.e., across the roll length of the fabric.
- 2.4 Leno Strands A pair of warp ends at each edge of the woven fabric. One Leno warp end is always over each fill pick while the other Leno warp end is always under the fill pick. The Leno strands define the edges of the woven field and serve to stabilize the edges of the fabric.
- 3.0 Requirements
- 3.1 Visual Requirements
- 3.1.1 Dirt Spots Defined as all foreigh matter, dirt, grease spots, etc. The average number of dirt spots (1/16" to 3/4" in diameter) per 100 lineal feet shall be 6 or less. All rolls shall be free of dirt spots in excess of 3/4" diameter.
- 3.1.2 Warp Ends All rolls shall be free of missing warp ends for more than two consecutive feet.
- 3.1.3 Fill Picks All rolls shall be free of consecutive missing picks in excess of five, or more than eleven missing picks, either individual picks or any combination of individual and multiple (2, 3, 4, or 5) picks, in any consecutive 100 lineal feet.
- 3.1.4 Fuzz Clumps and Loops The product is designed to exhibit proper laydown and shall be free of fuzz clumps or loops exceeding one inch in height from the surface.

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## FIBERGLASS ECDE GLASS

- 3.2 Physical Properties
- 3.2.1 Thickness The thickness of the mat in each roll of ECDE glass shall be measured.
- 3.3 Packaging Requirement Packaging shall be visually inspected to assure proper labeling and that the package is free from damage that may render the ECDE glass unusable.
- 3.3.1 The ECDE glass shall be packaged in an unbroken carton as shipped from the manufacturer's factory. The ECDE glass used shall not be repackaged in the distribution of the ECDE glass after the manufacturer has shipped the ECDE glass.
- 3.4 Documentation It is the responsibility of the fabricator to maintain records showing the results of all material testing. This information shall show at a minimum, the following:
- (a) Form of material
- (b) Manufacturer
- (c) Manufacturer's product description including binder type (treatment)
- (d) Manufacturer's product code
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